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Applicant : M. Nishiguchi et al.  
Serial No.: 08/747,910  
Filed : November 12, 1996  
For : AUDIO SIGNAL REPRODUCING APPARATUS  
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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box Patent Application  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/747,910 filed November 12, 1995, which is a division of application Serial NO. 07/600,818 filed October 22, 1990, now U.S. Patent No. 5,640,458 issued June 17, 1997.

1. [x] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed including a copy of the signed Declaration and a copy of the drawings.
2. [x] The prior application is assigned to Sony Corporation and the Assignment was recorded on at Reel  
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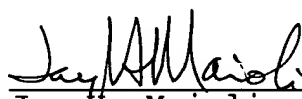
3. ☒ Priority of Application(s) No.(s)  
P278209/89 filed on October 25, 1989  
respectively, in Japan is claimed  
under 35 USC 119.
- ☒ The certified copy in support of the  
claim of priority has been filed in the  
Prior Application Serial No. 07/600,818  
and acknowledgment thereof is requested.
4. ☐ This is an application of a small entity  
under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts  
shown below in parentheses apply.
- b. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims Appearing in the Prior Application,  
Less Any Claims Canceled By Amendment Below

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Fee
Basic Fee			\$690 (\$345)
Total claims.....	5 - 20 =	x	\$18 (\$ 9)
Independent claims...	2 - 3 =	x	\$78 (\$39)
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims			\$
Total Filing Fee.....			\$ 690.00

5. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to  
charge any fees which may be required, or  
credit any overpayment to Account No.  
03-3125. A duplicate copy of this sheet  
is enclosed.
6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$690.00 is  
enclosed.
7. ☒ Cancel claims 1-3.
8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting  
before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a division of prior application  
Serial No. 08/747,910 filed November 12,  
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1990, now U.S. Patent No. 5,640,458 issued  
June 17, 1997.

9. [x] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application identified above is considered as being a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Jay H. Maioli, Reg. No. 27,213, Cooper & Dunham, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10036.
- a. [x] The power appears in the prior application.
- b. [x] Address all future communications to:  
Jay H. Maioli, Cooper & Dunham,  
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11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

  
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I hereby certify that this Request For Divisional Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b), Copy of Specification and claims, Copy of Drawings, a Copy of Signed Declaration, and Preliminary Amendment are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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